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Applicant(s): Tokunaga

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

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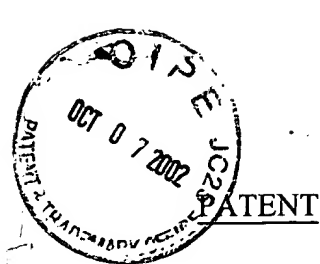
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 27th, 2002, the Applicant respectfully submits the following Response to Restriction Requirement. No fees are believed due in connection with this Response. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments which may be required for this paper to our deposit account no. 13-4500, order no. 1232-4478.

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REMARKS

The Restriction Requirement mailed on August 27th, 2002 provides that restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. §121:

"I. Claims 1-3, 12-14 and 18-22 drawn to photoelectric conversion elements on a substrate with a storage for storing control information to control accumulation period, classified in class 348, subclass 297.